

## **ACCREDITATION DECISION:**

# UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO'S POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN THE PRACTICE OF PSYCHOLOGY (APPLIED BEHAVIOUR ANALYSIS) [PGDipPracPsych(ABA)]

#### Introduction:

It is a function of the New Zealand Psychologists Board to prescribe the qualifications required for scopes of practice within the profession, and, for that purpose, to accredit and monitor educational institutions and degrees, courses of studies, or programmes [refer s 118(a) of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003]. On 2 November 2011 the Board delegated its powers under section 118(a) of the Act to accredit educational institutions and degrees, courses of studies, or programmes to the Accreditation Committee. Applications for accreditation are assessed with reference to the relevant sections of the Board's prescribed Standards and Procedures for the Accreditation of Qualifications Leading to Registration as a Psychologist in New Zealand document (current version).

## Date of Application:

The University of Waikato lodged an application for re-accreditation of their Post Graduate Diploma in the Practice of Psychology (Applied Behaviour Analysis)

[PGDipPracPsych(ABA)] training programme with the Board on 23 January 2018.

#### Dates of Site Visit:

The site visit was conducted on 24-26 June 2018.

#### Date of Board Decision:

8 April 2020

#### **Decision:**

That the Accreditation Committee (operating under delegation);

- Grant the University of Waikato's PGDipPracPsych(ABA) course of study accreditation with reference to the Psychologist scope of practice, for a period of three years to February 2021 extendable to seven years contingent on their first routine monitoring report due on 19th December 2020 satisfactorily addressing all not met and partially met standards highlighted in the AT report and listed below:
  - Standards: 1.1.1, 1.1.2 and 1.2.1,
  - Standards: 2.1.3, 2.4.1, 2.4.2 and 2.4.3.
  - Standard: 3.1.1.
  - Standards: 4.1.1 and 4.1.2.
  - Standard: 5.1.1Standard: 6.2.1.
  - Standards: 7.1.1, 7.1.2, 7.2.1 and 7.3.1
  - Standards: 9.1 and 9.2.

## **Accreditation current until:**

8 February 2021<sup>1</sup>

On behalf of the Accreditation Committee,

Ann Connell, Committee Chair

30 April 2020

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> It should be noted that the Board reserves the right to revisit a course granted accreditation subject to periodic reporting requirements.